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PRESS RELEASE

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY RICHARD S. HARTUNIAN announced that JULIO CESAR CALDERON-ALVARADO, age 27, of Chelsea, Massachusetts, pled guilty today, before Senior United States District Court Judge Lawrence E. Kahn, in Albany, New York, to the felony offense of making a false claim of United States citizenship. Sentencing for JULIO CESAR CALDERON-ALVARADO is scheduled for September 30, 2010 in Albany. As a result of the conviction, CALDERON-ALVARADO faces a maximum sentence of imprisonment of 3 years, supervised release for up to 1 year, a fine of up to \$250,000, and a special assessment of \$100.

CALDERON-ALVARADO, a citizen of Mexico, was encountered by a Border Patrol Agent near Burke, New York on March 18, 2010. During an immigration inspection CALDERON-ALVARADO claimed to be a United States citizen named Cesar Hernandez. Found in the possession of CALDERON-ALVARADO was a counterfeit Social Security Card and a counterfeit Texas driver's license, both in the name of Cesar Hernandez.

This matter was investigated by the United States Border Patrol, Burke, New York.

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